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OREGON WEATHER
Fair and warmer Wednesday in the interior; southwesterly winds.

ARMY FOOD
The government's offer to sell the surplus army food stock to the public by parcel post is probably as good a solution of two pressing problems as could be found. It ought to result in disposing of that troublesome surplus with little more delay, and it ought to have an immediate effect in relieving the food situation and lowering retail prices of the commonest commodities.

Attempts made to dispose of the accumulated stocks by car-load sales to municipalities and big dealers do not seem to have succeeded. Private concerns, for some reason or other, have seemed wary of such goods, and cities and towns have lacked proper facilities for handling them. By selling direct to consumers, the market is vastly broadened.

The list of goods for sale, which shows considerable variety and covers some 350,000,000 pounds of food is to be distributed by 54,000 post-offices. The orders are to be given and the money paid through postmasters and carriers, thus insuring the widest extension of the opportunity. There will be no profit except that which falls to the purchaser.

SUSPECTS SHOULD BE HELD

A movement has been started to procure a general amnesty for all persons arrested and imprisoned for violation of the espionage law in force during the war.

There is little reason to believe that the authorities having the fate of these people in charge will take any such sweeping action as setting them free without further investigation, nor should this be done.

Every person now imprisoned under the espionage act was taken into custody because his actions indicated that he was opposed to the laws of this country and the decisions of this government. He was as distinctly an enemy to the peace and safety of the United States as if he had joined the enemy's military forces.

There is no half-way business about loyalty. The man whose loyalty can be questioned is disloyal.

Hans Stove has been home from the war since spring. Just the other day his parents received word that he had "died in service." The war department better look out. Such carelessness is likely to make the Stoves red-hot.

The president refuses to give the senate any inside information on the Shantung settlement, because of "confidential references to other governments." Further proof of "open covenants openly arrived at."

Carnegie gave away \$300,000,000. He did his best to better his chances of passing through the eye of the needle.

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**JOSEPHINE COUNTY
GIRL HIDES IN HILLS**

(Roseburg News)

Dama Messenger, aged 24, feeble minded ward of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Voorhies, of Sumner, disappeared late Saturday evening from the camp established by the party at the summit of the Coast Range, five miles from the 19 mile house on the Coos Bay Wagon road. Sheriff Quine and Juvenile Officer Agnes Pitchford directed searching parties today and the entire vicinity is being covered in an effort to locate the young girl, who is said to be an adept at hiding.

Unable to make headway the search was abandoned until morning, when footprints were found leading past the Wilson place. Coming on into Roseburg, the matter was turned over to the officials who immediately wired in all directions to prevent her escape. Deputy Sheriff Rafferty got into communication with County Judge Gillette of Josephine county and confirmed the story in regard to the girl's identity and from Coquille learned that adoption papers had been taken out by Mr. Voorhies. The road was well travelled and a cattle buyer was camped near the tourists on the night of the occurrence. The girl left the camp clothed only in a white middie blouse, black and white checked skirt and old ragged shoes. She wore no hat nor coat. She is 24 years of age, pretty, has dark hair and eyes, is about 5 feet 5 inches in height and weight 125 pounds. It is believed that she went in the direction of Ten Mile and the searchers are working on that theory.

Mr. and Mrs. Voorhies went to Sumner about a year ago from Josephine county where they were connected with the Findley vocational school, and shortly before their departure were hired by the girl's father, Clarence Messenger of Dryden to take care of her. It is claimed that after paying the stipulated sum for one month he refused to pay subsequent expenses and would not take his daughter back.

**SAILORS USE WINE TO
KEEP OFF THE HOODOO**

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 11.—The United States may be "dry," but Oakland ship launchings will be "wet" for some years to come. To this end the shipyard owners of this city have laid in a supply of California champagne to be used at christenings. This step was taken in deference to sea superstition.

"We had to do it," said George A. Arnes, president of the Moore Shipbuilding company. "Sailors will not go to sea on a ship that has not a bottle of wine broken over its prow at its launching. It is a 'hoodoo ship.' It would be difficult for us to sell our ships if they were not christened according to custom."

COMING EVENTS

Aug. 11-29—Josephine county teachers' training school.
Aug. 23, Saturday—Civil service examination for postoffice clerk-carrier postponed from July 12.
Aug. 23, Saturday—Josephine County Grange meeting with the Merlin Grange. A good dinner with an interesting program is in store for those who attend.
Sept. 8, Monday—Board of equalization meets.
Trade Acceptances, book of 50, \$1—Courier office.

**SONS PLAN SURPRISE
FOR MRS. LIZZIE RUTH**

In all the 53 years of Mrs. Lizzie Ruth's life she never had a more complete or pleasing surprise than was given her Monday evening by her sons, Orrin and Luther Ruth, in honor of her birthday. Each guest had been personally invited and Mrs. Ruth had been told by her boys to be ready for an automobile ride at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Ruth was all "dressed up" for the ride when not only one but several automobiles with guests arrived with cordial birthday greetings.

Seats were arranged in the yard where the cool moonlit evening gave an added pleasure to the music and visiting. A large freezer of ice cream, a basket of cakes and a box of peaches furnished most delicious refreshments. It was nearly midnight when the surprise party guests were taken to their homes in the waiting cars.

Those present were: Mrs. Dora Boesch, Miss Josephine Boesch, Mrs. Helen Carlson, Mrs. Dora Cleveland, Mrs. N. F. Clements, Mrs. Marie Keinen, Mrs. Nina Lathrop, Mr. and Mrs. Will Lewman, Mrs. Alice Malory, Mrs. Anna McCulley, Mrs. Martha Metzner, Mrs. Nellie Nipper, Miss Essie Nipper, Mrs. Lizzie Ruth, Mrs. Luella Ruth, Mrs. Tracy Smith, Mrs. Florence Smith, Mrs. Lucy Smith, Mrs. Emma Sharp, Mrs. Caroline Tetherow, Mrs. Martha Wiggs, Mrs. Ruth Hammond, Mrs. Lillian Reynolds, Luther Ruth and Henry Cole.

**NATION WILL RAISE
BIG MEMORIAL FUND**

Portland, Aug. 11.—William Boyce Thompson of New York City, president of the Roosevelt Memorial association, has appointed Dr. Henry Waldo Coe of Portland as chairman of the Oregon state committee to cooperate with the national committee in a nation-wide campaign. October 20 to 27 for a \$10,000,000 memorial fund.

The purpose of the campaign is to raise funds for the erection of a suitable monument for the perpetuation of the memory of Theodore Roosevelt, the great American.

The fund is to be expended in erecting a monumental memorial in Washington, D. C., the one city which belongs to all Americans and which was so long the scene of Roosevelt's great labors for public welfare. Also, for the purchase and maintenance of a park at Oyster Bay, including at some future date the Roosevelt home at Sagamore Hill and the formation of an association for the development and application of Roosevelt ideals.

The memorials are to be the gifts of the nation, the tribute which so many thousands of men, women and children have so ardently desired as a means of expressing their recognition and appreciation of the ideals and noble teachings for which Theodore Roosevelt lived.

**GOVERNOR PUTS MATTER
UP TO THE SOLONS**

Salem, Ore., Aug. 9.—When visited today by a delegation of suffragists, Governor Olcott explained his position on the suffrage amendment but stated that he would not call the legislature together until a majority of the members of both houses requested a special session.

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SOLDIER LETTERS

Headquarters 2nd Division,
American E. F., A. P. O. 710,
Germany, July 18, 1919.

Dear Father:

You will see by the above heading that our army has reached the land for which we started from the U. S. A. We are encamped on the banks of the Rhine river and I have excellent rooms in a house which is right in town. The country up through Belgium is much damaged and some of the towns and villages are so shot to pieces as to look much like a pile of stones left after a wrecking crew have been working for a week tearing down a row of houses. Trees about the battle line of France look much like telegraph poles with some branches sticking on. Houses are blown to pieces and in some places no persons at all are living there. Belgium is trying to recover as much as she can, she is filling up the shell holes, which are over the surface of the ground, and where it is possible to patch up some of the holes in the houses, these are being repaired. The pictures as they are shown in the newspapers are true to conditions and give you a very good idea of what things look like. The cities in Belgium which have not been destroyed are very nice indeed and I was much pleased with Belgium.

Weather in France is always cool, the nights all being good for sleeping under covers, and the mornings and evenings are also cool. The middle of the day may be a little cool, but not so hot as we are used to having in Philadelphia.

I hope you have a good hunt this season and I look forward to having one if possible.
LT. COL. ELLIS E. W. GIVEN, M. C.
American E. F., Germany,
A. P. O. 710

**CLEANING UP OLD JUNK
IN THE COBLENZ AREA**

With the American Forces in Germany, Aug. 11.—Old material used by the Third army on the Rhine is being disposed of in a hurry. German civilians alone recently have been buying from 25 to 40 carloads of salvaged material each day. Germans assemble in Coblenz, or the other towns where the auction sales are held, by the hundreds, some coming from Cologne, from Mayence, and others as far as Frankfurt-on-Main, Cassel and other parts of unoccupied Germany.

At a recent sale in Coblenz with a German-speaking doughboy as auctioneer 125,000 leather jerkins were sold to the Germans for 2,000,000 marks. (The recent army exchange on marks is 2.50 marks for one franc). The same day 30,000 rain-coats, many of them, having been used by American soldiers during the war, were sold for 250,000 marks.

The Germans eagerly buy anything offered by the Americans, particularly any articles containing leather or rubber. Ten thousand American-made gas masks were sold a few days ago to civilians who planned to make use of the rubber for commercial purposes. More than one hundred tons of harness, some of it German made and abandoned after the armistice, were disposed of at a recent auction sale near Coblenz.

Forty thousand pairs of American field shoes, many of which had been worn and torn in the march of the doughboys from Luxembourg to the Rhine in December, were sold in lots at a special sale.

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